

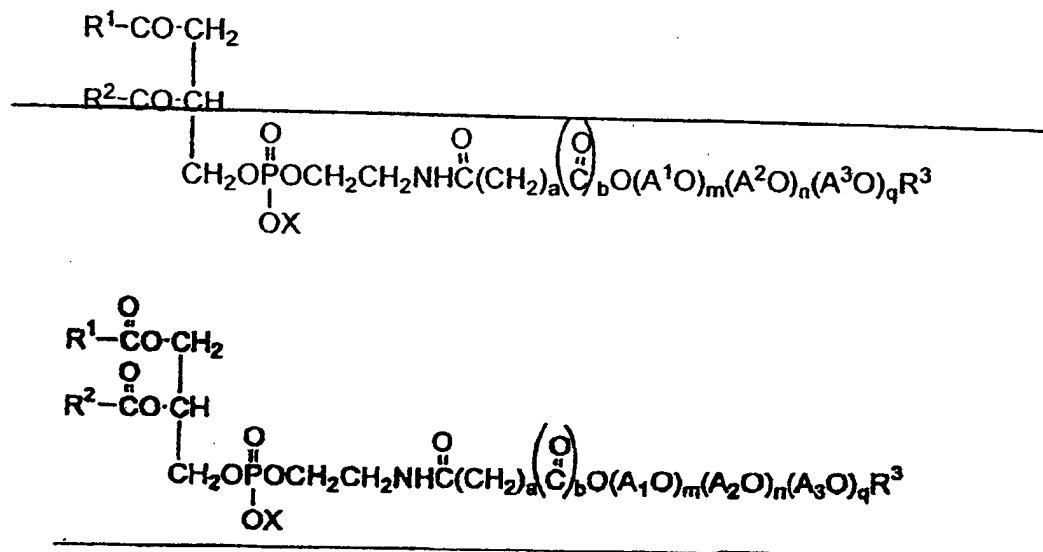
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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph appearing at page 3, line 18 to page 4, line 8, with ~~18~~ 3/28/08
the following amended paragraph:

The present invention thus provides a phospholipid derivative represented by the following formula (I):



wherein R¹CO and R²CO independently represent an acyl group having 8 to 22 carbon atoms; R³ represents hydrogen atom, or a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms; symbol "a" represents an integer of 0 to 4; symbol "b" represents 0 or 1, provided that when a is 0, b is 0; X represents hydrogen atom, an alkali metal atom, an ammonium, or an organic ammonium; A¹O and A³O independently represent an oxyalkylene group containing oxyethylene group and having 2 to 4 carbon atoms, wherein the ratio of the oxyethylene group to the oxyalkylene group having 2 to 4 carbon atoms in A¹O and A³O is 0.5 or larger in terms of a weight ratio; A²O represents an oxyalkylene group having 3